

# concordia's Thursday Report

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## NOTICE

Next week's *CONCORDIA's Thursday Report* (Feb. 20) will be a special issue devoted almost entirely to the new library building. Regular features *At a Glance*, *Letters to the Editor* and *Names in the News* will return in the issue of March 5, 1992. There will be no issue on Feb. 27 during the mid-term break.

*Degree nomenclature issue sparked by request for Mistress of Arts*

## Senate approves graduating students' right to choose name of degree

by Donna Varrica

Claudie Solar, the Advisor to the Rector on the Status of Women, told Senate that universities across Canada were watching Concordia to see what it would do. And what it did was approve

a motion at last Friday's Senate meeting to allow students to choose the name of their degrees.

"Language can be a vehicle for bias, denoting heterosexism and racism," said Solar.

That bias may be removed and graduating students may eventually be able to choose between a Bachelor's degree or a 'baccalaureate,' the Master's degree or the 'magisteriate.' Doctoral degrees will remain unchanged.

The Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Degree Nomenclature was established in April 1990 in response to student Carolyn Gammon's request for a Mistress of Arts instead of a Master of Arts after completing the requirements for her degree. The Committee was chaired by Religion Professor Michael Oppenheim.

The Committee unanimously voted to deny Gammon's request, but it did recommend that Senate make a change in degree nomenclature to reflect the degrees themselves.

The degree 'baccalaureate' is conferred in many French- and English-

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## The spills of the Fifth Annual Corey Cup at the Forum bring thrills but no victory



PHOTO: Jonas Papaurellis

The Fifth Annual Corey Cup hockey game between Concordia and McGill resurrected the cross-town rivalry of the two teams. Though Concordia put in a valiant effort, coming from behind in the second period with goals scored by Steve Salhany and Stéphane Therrien, McGill rallied in the third to take the match 4-2. Proceeds from the game went to the Québec Society for Disabled Children.

## 40 professional women engineers take students under wing

by Rachel Alkallay

Fact: Women make up a mere 3 per cent of all engineers in Canada.

Fact: At Concordia, 14.7 per cent of Engineering undergraduates are women, as are 28 per cent of Computer Science undergraduates. At the graduate level, the figures are 10 per cent and 27 per cent respectively.

Fact: There are no women in tenure-track positions in Engineering or Computer Science at the University.

With these stark facts staring them in the face, the Women in Engineering and Computer Science Initiative (WECOS) mentoring programme, a Canadian first, got off to an energetic start at a dinner on Jan. 31. M.N.S. Swamy, Dean of Engineering and Computer Sciences, welcomed the participants.

"It would be disastrous to waste the pool of talent that exists among young women. Your presence here illustrates the kind of concrete action that we believe necessary to encourage female students to pursue careers in science

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February is Black History Month. Concordia Professor Clarence Bayne has made some history of his own in this city, from helping to found the Black Theatre Workshop (BTW) in 1970 to trying to link Montréal's Black community with organizations across North America. Last month, he was honoured with the BTW's Martin Luther King Achievement Award.

### CBS turns 15

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The vision of Centre for Building Studies Director Paul Fazio 15 years ago for a research centre which would deal with the business of building better buildings in a whole new way has flourished into a respected multidisciplinary facility. This month, CBS celebrates its anniversary with a big party and some world-recognized research under its belt.



# Concordia Music keeps jazz alive in Montréal

by Sam Mainster

Jazz — as much a part of Montréal as smoked meat — may be next on the city's endangered list.

"The venues for jazz musicians don't exist," said Professor Andrew Homzy, who teaches jazz history at Concordia. "Musicians might work one night a month."

The number of jazz clubs in Montréal has shrunk from more than 100 before 1970 to a handful today. And though the city has a massive 10-day jazz festival every summer, for Montréal musicians, it's a one-shot deal.

"The festival does for jazz what P.T. Barnum did for circus performers. They amused, and people forgot them immediately after the show was over," Homzy said.

"Montréal's the worst it's been since I remember," said Dave Turner, jazz musician and instructor of jazz improvisation in Concordia's Music Department. But he's certain it will turn around as people rediscover live music.

Homzy and Turner want to preserve a rich jazz heritage spanning more than 60 years in Montréal. During the American Prohibition period in the 1920s, Montréal was a wide-open town with legal liquor that drew drinkers and jazz bands from speakeasies in nearby New York and Boston. This gave

Montréal musicians the chance to play with jazz greats such as Louis Armstrong and Fats Waller.

Soon the city had a thriving jazz community, which produced international stars like Oscar Peterson, Maynard Ferguson and Paul Bley.

## Wild nightlife

The decline of Montréal's jazz clubs began with the anti-vice campaign of Mayor Jean Drapeau in the 1960s, Homzy said. Alongside the jazz clubs were brothels and gambling parlours. All were part of the wild nightlife, so they were caught in the net of Drapeau's cleanup. The other blow to jazz came from electronic music and the wages it saved club owners, Homzy added.

"Instead of hiring a band of six or seven, you'll get two people to come out with the synthesizer and a drum machine."

Turner has found almost an entire

generation with little exposure to non-electronic music.

"I've gone into high schools and CEGEPs to play, and it's the first time they've heard a live saxophone. They're taken aback," he said.

For Montréal's 350th anniversary, Turner has formed a band of prominent local jazzmen, including Charlie Biddle, Vic Vogel and Nelson Symonds, which will play the Concordia Concert Hall on March 6. Drummer Jim Hillman has also been asked to sit in.

Turner said that Biddle and Symonds symbolized jazz for him when he was a teenager 20 years ago. Vogel is known for his 1960s big band, which gave many jazz musicians their start, and for composing the music that opened Montréal's Olympics in 1976.

These are musicians who have been playing jazz and nothing but jazz in Montréal, some for more than 50 years.

"It's a feat, since in order to make a living you usually have to play whatever comes along," Turner said.



Music Professor Dave Turner will pay homage to musicians who symbolize jazz.

## OFF THE CUFF

edited by Silvia Cademartori

### Minister's move to bail out publishers will give them monopoly on the industry, says Lipscombe

*Off the Cuff* is a weekly column of opinion and insight into major issues in the news. If you are a Concordia faculty member and have something to say "off the cuff," call CTR at 848-4882.

Communications Minister Perrin Beatty recently proposed an amendment to the Canadian copyright act that would give Canadian book publishers exclusive rights to distribute foreign books within Canada to help bail them out of a financial slump. Concordia Bookstores Manager and president of the Canadian Booksellers Association, **Lina Lipscombe**, is against that move because it will give publishers a monopoly on the book industry.

"Large Canadian book publishers already act as distributing agents in Canada for British and U.S. publishers. The proposed new amendment stipulates that if a Canadian publisher or agent has signed an agreement with a British or U.S. publisher to distribute books in Canada, retailers can legally deal only with that Canadian publisher/agent.

"In the past, book retailers and the Canadian Booksellers Association has supported this country's publishing business and agency system. We put the onus on Canadian publishers to supply us with books. The problem is they don't always have the books we want in stock. Many carry bestseller lines and don't carry an inventory of special titles and course materials.

"For example, if a book is not available at the Concordia Bookstore through a Canadian publisher or agent 10 weeks after the initial order, and students have begun to ask for the book, we will go to an American wholesaler. We usually get the American shipment within 10 days. The amendment will prevent us from doing this.

"Some publishers and agents already take advantage of their distribution rights and mark up books higher than any U.S. exchange factor. I've seen mark-ups of 40 to 70 per cent on American books. As long as book sellers and libraries can get their books elsewhere, the incentive for publishers to keep their prices reasonable is there.

"We have been trying to negotiate with publishers for a year-and-a-half to no avail and Perrin Beatty now says if we can't set standards, he'll do it for us. Publishers are hoping that by preventing retailers from buying around, money will stay here and make them prosperous.

"A lot of people would interpret the proposed amendment as trying to protect the Canadian publishing industry. But we are not talking about Canadian culture or literature. We are talking about books published and printed in the U.S. and Britain. A few publishers are hiding behind the law to provide poor service and higher prices for books that are not Canadian content.

"I personally support Canadian publishers and agents very much, but allowing them to hide behind the copyright act is not right."

## Erratum

The students pictured on the front page of last week's *CTR* were identified as Civil Engineering students. In fact, of the seven women who built and raced the *Aeroboggan* in the Great Northern Concrete Toboggan Race, four are in Building Engineering and three are in Civil Engineering. All eight women who built and raced in *34C* are in Building Engineering.



# Bayne works toward goal of establishing a network among Black organizations across North America



PHOTO: Susan Mintzberg

Professor Clarence Bayne was recently honoured by the Black Theatre Workshop with the Martin Luther King Award.

by Eve Krakow

The key for minorities who want a say in mainstream decision-making is to bring their community organizations together and make their presence felt, says Concordia Professor Clarence Bayne.

Bayne, Director of the Diploma programmes in Institutional Administration and Sports Administration in the Faculty of Commerce and Administration, is the 1992 recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Achievement Award.

The award is presented by Montréal's Black Theatre Workshop to people who have contributed significantly to the development of the Black performing arts and cultural life in Montréal, and whose lives have a measure of distinction in Canada.

Bayne helped found the Black Theatre Workshop in 1970, and has written and produced several plays about the Black

community and its people. But his community involvement goes beyond the theatre.

Bayne helped found several organizations, including the Québec Board of Black Educators, the National Black Coalition of Canada, the Black Studies Centre and the Black Community Council of Québec. He has made presentations about the economic, social and cultural life of the Black community to a variety of commissions and conferences.

His main goal now is to establish a network among Black organizations across Canada and the United States. He wants Black people in Canada to hook up with well-established and powerful Black organizations in the United States.

"If you link up with powerful Black leaders who are in the mainstream of America, then people can't take you lightly," Bayne explained.

This March, for example, the Black Community Council will meet Benjamin Hooks, executive officer of the

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## AT A GLANCE

by Donna Varrica

Concordia is a vibrant collection of people, places and activities. At-a-Glance is one vehicle for discovering some of what is happening here. This column welcomes your submissions.

- The Norwegian Scientific Research Council (NAVF) has awarded History Professor **William H. Hubbard** a research fellowship grant, tenable at the University of Bergen. The research project deals with urbanization in western Norway in the 19th century and will be carried out in conjunction with Norwegian historians.
- Geology Professor **Giampaolo Sassano** attended the public consultation on the "Gestion intégrée des déchets sur le territoire de la Ville de Montréal."
- Former Chemistry Professor **Cooper Langford** has left Concordia for the University of Calgary where he will become the next Vice-President (Research). He was Associate Vice-Rector, Academic (Research) here and subsequently was Director of Physical and Mathematical Sciences for the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC).
- In the Department of Leisure Studies, Professor **Nathaly Gagnon** was the guest speaker at the Conseil nationale de la Centrale de l'enseignement du Québec. Her talk was titled "Citoyen/professionnel/syndique: Une trinité à repenser."
- Also in Leisure Studies, Professor **Lanie Melamed** has been working as a consultant for the National Film Board of Canada on a new film about education and social change, as well as designing a handbook for the Westmount YMCA's new members. Her article "Living and Learning: The Choice to be Playful" was published in *Women's Education des Femmes*, vol. 8, no. 3/4, Winter 1991.
- Once again, the **Amateur Radio Club** was able to listen in on the conversations of the astronauts who took part in the recent space shuttle mission. Students, faculty and Club members dropped in to the Club's sixth floor Henry F. Hall Building offices to listen to the space talk aboard *Discovery*. The signal was transmitted by short-wave radio, which was then re-transmitted to the greater Montréal area.
- Concordia engineering students placed fourth in a field of six universities at the second annual Engineering Games in Sherbrooke recently. Academic games, such as building hydro towers with toothpicks, and sporting events, were held two weeks ago to test the teams' knowledge of engineering techniques and sporting skills.
- Professor **Peter E. Pitsiladis** of the Department of Management is an invited visiting professor at the Centre d'enseignement et de recherche appliqués au management (CERAM) at Nice, Sophia-Antipolis, in France. CERAM, one of the "Grandes écoles françaises," has an exchange programme with Concordia and provides graduate level management education to French and international students through highly selective competition. Pitsiladis will be doing research and consulting with Faculty, scholars and local industry leaders during his sabbatical leave there.
- A total of 414 Montréal-area students were awarded the 1991-92 Prime Minister's Canada Scholarships Certificates. The certificates were given to first-year students in the natural sciences and engineering from Concordia, the Université de Montréal, the Université du Québec à Montréal, École Polytechnique and McGill University. The Canada Scholarships Programme represents an \$80 million, five-year investment by the federal government in the education of highly qualified scientists and engineers. Awarded on the basis of outstanding academic performance, the Scholarships provide \$2,000 per year for up to four years, making each Canada Scholar eligible to receive \$8,000. The awards are divided equally between men and women.
- As was reported last week, Mechanical Engineering Professor **A.J. Saber** travelled to Germany on a technical visit. He has established joint research with the Chemical Propulsion Division of the German Aerospace Research Establishment with a project involving a series of experimental trials on supersonic combustion. Plans to report the joint results by the end of 1992 in a major scientific publication are a first for this kind of collaborative effect.



# LETTERS

## TO THE EDITOR

### EDITOR'S NOTE

#### *A call for increased civility in a community of scholars*

This newspaper is becoming increasingly concerned with the abusive tone of some of the letters to the editor we have received recently.

Two examples in the past few weeks are indicative of this trend. V.I. Fabrikant's letter of Feb. 6 was so disquieting that it was sent to the University's legal counsel for consultation and was returned with the opinion that it contained material which could be considered libelous and defamatory. As a result, a severely edited version was published.

Likewise, some of the responses to Bill Gilsdorf's Jan. 16 letter seemed to us, and to many of our readers, to be insulting. Some might categorize such personal attacks as vindictive.

Forceful, biting and even caustic criticisms can be expressed without waging verbal war on colleagues. Let us not lose total regard for civility.

**Donna Varrica**  
Editor

#### **Concordia's Thursday Report is interested in your letters, opinions and comments.**

**Letters to the Editor should be signed and include a phone number. Please limit your letter to 500 words. The Editor reserves the right to edit for space considerations although the utmost care will be given to preserve the core of the writer's argument. Send Letters to the Editor to BC-117, or fax 848-2814. Letters must arrive by Friday noon prior to Thursday publication.**

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**REAL EDUCATION FOR THE REAL WORLD**

#### **Bertrand commits to moving CSBN as soon as is possible**

*This letter is in response to a letter from Jane Stewart, Psychology, published last week.*

Had you discussed with me the issues raised in your letter of Feb. 6 to *CONCORDIA's Thursday Report*, I believe that I could have reassured you about the move of the Centre for Studies in Behavioral Neurobiology (CSBN) to the Loyola Campus no later than 1995.

I never anticipated that the consolidation of the Department of Psychology on the Loyola Campus would not include the CSBN. Logistically, it cannot be moved at precisely the same time as the rest of the Department, but it will be moved as quickly as possible thereafter.

The consolidation of the Department has been requested for years; now the opportunity has finally arrived! Within the context of the principles adopted by Senate and the Board of Governors, the first decision made was that it was in the best interests of the University to locate the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science on the Sir George Williams Campus. Once that decision was made, it became evident that there was not enough space downtown to consolidate Psychology. Hence the offer of additional space on the Loyola Campus. The move to Loyola will benefit the entire Department, including the CSBN, which is, as you point out, a part of the larger Department.

Your comments about your undergraduate students surprise me. Do you not realize that there will be as many undergraduate courses available in a variety of disciplines on the Loyola Campus as downtown? In fact, certain key departments in Arts and Science are already consolidated on the Loyola Campus. I do not believe that your undergraduate students will have any difficulty in finding appropriate courses outside their discipline. I share your concern about the future. I do, however, believe that the current space plan offers the most academically sound solution for the future of the University. If you wish to discuss this issue with me, I shall be most pleased to do so.

**Charles L. Bertrand**  
Vice-Rector, Services

#### **Student wants some answers about *The Concordian***

✉ To the editor:

Last semester, a number of questions surfaced about *The Concordian* and the way it was operating. Since then, I have heard numerous rumours, many of which are quite unsettling. Perhaps you could take the time to clarify some of these rumours.

Are *The Concordian's* books in order? Where can one go to view the books? (As a student who pays fees to *The Concordian*, I have a right to know how my money is spent.) Is it true that people are being paid to work at the newspaper? If so, how much are they being paid?

Why is an individual — James Keylor [sic] — listed as the publisher? Who is Keylor? Who made him publisher? Is it true that *The Concordian* is operating in violation of its own constitution? Is it true that *The Concordian* has never filed an audited statement, and that its corporate status has been dissolved? Why wasn't information about the editors,

contributors, publishers and so forth printed anywhere in the latest edition of the paper?

I know that these questions have been asked by others before me, but to my knowledge, none of them have been answered. The response in the past seems to have been to attack those who raised the questions.

While "the best defence may be a good offence," I think it is inappropriate for a campus newspaper to attack its critics in editorials and opinion pieces while failing to disclose information about itself.

The motto on the top of *The Concordian* says "Get the Facts." That's all I'm asking for. I hope the editors of the paper have the courage to provide them (hopefully without aggressive editorial commentary this time!).

**F. Sweet**  
Montréal

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# Chemistry explores environmental applications of catalytic process

by Karl Jarosiewicz

For the first time, Concordia has hosted a meeting of catalysis scientists from across the country. Chemistry professor Raymond Le Van Mao said the honour was well-deserved.

The Catalysis Discussion Group, representing catalysis scientists and students from Québec, Ontario and the Maritime provinces, met at Concordia in October. The bi-annual meeting gives researchers a chance to exchange ideas and present papers, both completed and in progress.

Researchers from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry have been hard at work on several projects, Le Van Mao said. Among the Department's accomplishments are major contributions to the petrochemical field. These in-

clude work on such chemicals as MTBE, which replaces lead in gasoline, and various aromatic additives used in natural gas.

Le Van Mao said that few people realize the scope of catalysis research. According to industry surveys, 25 to 30 per cent of all chemicals produced use at least one catalytic step in their production.

## New ceramics

Other major work being done by Concordia catalytic scientists includes the production of new porous ceramics. These ceramics have many applications in industry, but one in particular has piqued the interest of Le Van Mao and his team.

Because of their particular surface property, the porous ceramics may have an environmental application. These ceramics can be used in absorption and separation processes required to filter

large hydrocarbon molecules from water/hydrocarbon emulsions.

That means these products might be used in the battle against oil spills at sea and along our coastlines. Moreover, using a simple heating process, both the hydrocarbons and the porous ceramics could be recovered and reused, which would be doubly valuable to the environment.

Although Le Van Mao warned that his

team's work is still in the research stage, an early prognosis looks encouraging.

He remarked on the high quality of papers presented at the meeting by Canadian Mine and Energy Technologies (CANMET) and by researchers from seven Canadian universities. The next Catalysis Discussion Group meeting, scheduled for the spring of 1992, will be held in Ottawa and hosted by CANMET.

## Latest recipient of Leisure Studies award espouses ideals of A. Ross Seaman



PHOTO: Barbara Davidson

Lesley A. Howe, president of the Recreation and Leisure Students' Association, received a scholarship worth \$300. She said she intends to work with seniors after she graduates this spring.

by Buzz Bourdon

Smiles and congratulations were the order of the day as Recreation and Leisure Studies students, faculty and staff gathered two weeks ago at the Loyola Faculty Club to honour this year's winner of the A. Ross Seaman Award.

Third-year student Lesley A. Howe stepped up to accept the award, which was founded in 1990 to perpetuate the memory and ideals of Seaman. At the time of his death in 1987, Seaman was a Leisure Studies professor and had been Acting Chair in 1986-87.

Nominations for the award come from both Leisure Studies and Applied Social Sciences.

"It's a big thrill to win it. It's a really big achievement for me," Howe said.

"It lets you know there's something to work for in the programme."

Howe, president of the Recreation and Leisure Students' Association, also received a scholarship worth \$300. She said she intends to work with seniors after she graduates this spring.

Seaman's history at Concordia goes back to the 1940s, when he attended Sir George Williams University and worked for the YMCA. In the 1960s, he was a part-time faculty member in Applied Social Science and was active in the Centre for Human Relations and Community Studies.

"Ross's main thrust was in developing leadership in young people," says Randy B. Swedburg, Director of Leisure Studies. "Lesley is an excellent example of this. Since she's come to Concordia her leadership skills have developed tremendously. [The citation mentions] leadership, scholarship and fellowship. She's an excellent example of all three."

## Professor fights battles for refugees from his homeland

by Susan Gray

Discussing his volunteer work with SOS Boat People-Canada (SBPC), Raymond Le Van Mao's eyes take on a faraway look.

"If I didn't do this, I don't think I'd feel at ease," explains the Chemistry professor, who is also the Director of Concordia's Catalysis Laboratory.

"After living through about 30 con-

tinuous years of war, the Vietnamese people have reached the depths of misery. Not only is there an economic crisis, but they live in a world of propaganda and lies."

SBPC, of which Le Van Mao is president, raises funds to help Vietnamese and Chinese refugees settle in Canada. The sponsorship and day-to-day care of refugees is handled by different committees located in Montréal, Ottawa, Toronto and London, Ont.

Since its founding in 1989, SBPC has

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## CONCORDIA COUNCIL ON STUDENT LIFE ANNUAL AWARDS

### Request for Nominations

The Concordia Council on Student Life Awards Committee is receiving nominations for the following:

1. Outstanding Contribution awards
2. Media awards
3. Merit awards

They have been developed to recognize exceptional contributions to student life at Concordia University. The outstanding contribution and media awards are open to students; merit awards are open to all members of the University community.

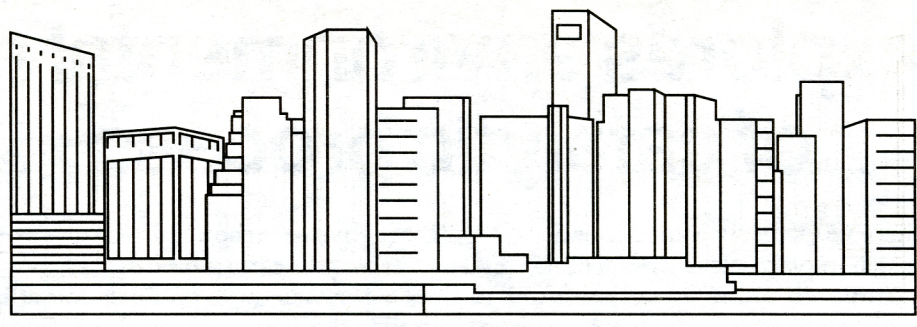
Nomination forms are available from:

Dean of Students offices AD-121 (Loyola), M-201 (Sir George)  
CUSA SC-103 (Loyola), H-637 (Sir George)  
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CASA (GM-218 (Sir George),  
ECA H 880-10 (Sir George),  
Information Services Hall first floor.

**Deadline for nominations  
is 5 p.m., March 20.**



# Centre for Building Studies



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*Centre for Building Studies birthday bash*

## Still special after all these years

by Barbara Black

After 15 years, the holistic approach to buildings is still new, but there are signs that the world is coming around.

"Everybody would like to have a centre like this," said Paul Fazio, founder of Concordia's Centre for Building Studies, as the uniquely multidisciplinary centre prepares for an anniversary dinner-dance on Feb. 29.

He points with pride to a paper he gave recently in Cairo, which he says made engineers from around the world envious. But despite increasing international interest, it's still an uphill battle to change the short-term preoccupations of the construction industry.

"We spend from 95 to 99 per cent of our time in buildings in our northern climate," Fazio said. And buildings are much more complex. "In the Middle Ages, buildings were simpler, almost a form of aesthetic expression, but technology has changed all that."

A modern building is a little world of its own, a deceptively fragile shell which can be a haven of safety and sanity — or a daily disaster. The Centre gets a steady stream of complaints about "sick" buildings which are making their occupants miserable. They've even been called in to look at a tricky laboratory ventilation problem at McGill.

It's easier to design a healthy building than to fix a sick one, however, which is why the Centre concentrates on research and the preparation of the builders of the future.

### All aspects of building

The Centre has 180 undergraduates, who are working toward a Bachelor in Building Engineering, some through co-operative work/study programmes. About 60 graduate students also use the Centre, which offers a Master of Applied Science, a Master of Engineering and a doctorate in Buildings Studies. Many of the graduate students are seasoned construction engineers in their middle years.

The 15 faculty members, drawn from a range of engineering disciplines, are working on every conceivable aspect of the modern building: energy conservation, humidity, ventilation, light, acoustics, protection against natural disaster and computer-assisted building design.



PHOTO: Brian M. McNeil

CBS Director Paul Fazio founded the research centre 15 years ago.

Professor Ted Stathopoulos, for instance, tests models of new buildings in a sophisticated wind tunnel to prevent more of the nasty surprises awaiting you at the corner of Peel St. and René-Lévesque Blvd., where a large bank building causes unpredictable updrafts.

Professor Andreas Athienitis is studying thermal performance, another area where builders have made some unpleasant and costly mistakes.

"Energy was very inexpensive, so we didn't care about it for many years," he explained. Now Athienitis is itching to try all sorts of ideas: storing heat in the walls for future use, for example, and hooking up a computerized heating system to an on-line weather forecasting service. He uses an experimental unit

on the roof of the Centre's downtown office building for his research.

### Conservation backfired

Energy conservation has turned out to be more complicated than we first thought. Sudden concern about our finite resources has given us buildings so well insulated that their walls trap unwanted moisture and their occupants long for the days when you could open a window. But a few engineers have put their heads together to reconsider the whole shell, or envelope, of a building, with all its complex, integrated systems.

The Québec Building Envelope Council, another Fazio brainchild, develops standards for the

building industry and provides a forum for new ideas. Although it's an outlet of the National Research Council's Institute for Research in Construction, its presiding officer, Luis de Miguel, works out of the Centre. To Fazio's delight, most of the members from outside the Centre are architects.

Drawing on as many disciplines as possible has been his motivating ideal, and it gives him pleasure to break down the barriers between architect and engineer, contractor and researcher, mechanical and civil engineer, even including fine arts and the social sciences. Fazio is convinced that the goal of the Centre — a healthy, efficient building — is best achieved through the sharing of ideas.

That means that teaching new techniques has to extend beyond the University and into the hard-headed, fragmented, tradition-bound construction industry. Fazio and his colleagues have set up Siricon, an autonomous, non-profit corporation, to develop software for the industry. They're using

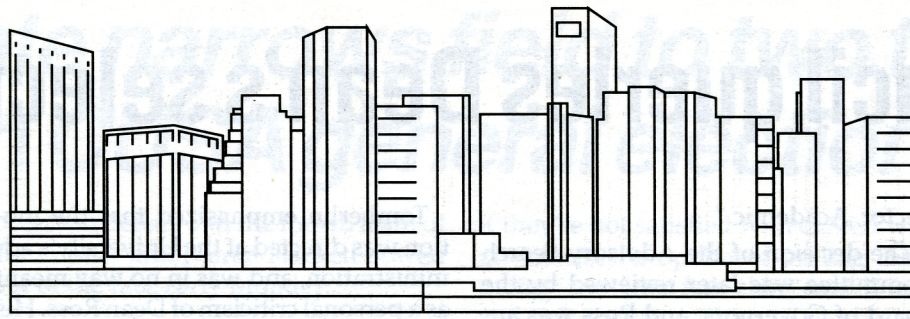
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**'Teaching new techniques has to extend beyond the University and into the hard-headed, fragmented, tradition-bound construction industry.'**





## Centre for Building Studies



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### Building the perfect (smart) building

One faculty member calls it "a dream in technicolour," but the visionaries at the Centre for Building Studies think they should have a new home — a smart one.

Throughout its 15-year history, the Centre has been housed in a moderately modern, rented, three-storey office building at the corner of Guy and St. Catherine Streets. But the faculty's fondest wish is to be able to build themselves a new centre which would double as an experimental "intelligent building" whose every function, from temperature and ventilation to water treatment and communications, would be integrated and computer-controlled.

Ultimately, they say, all buildings will be intelligent in this sense, because their efficient energy consumption and attractive interior ambience will make them so cost-effective, but the concept needs a lot of fine-tuning first.

Putting the Centre into one of its own experiments "would kill two birds with one stone," said Professor Ted Stathopoulos. His costly wind tunnel is on casters in case it should ever have to be moved out of the current rented premises.

Creating an intelligent building would be a long and expensive affair. Delicate sensors would have to be included in every part of the structure, and in Concordia's case, researchers would be studying every aspect of the process. But Professor Paul Fazio, director of the Centre, thinks it could be done, if the University was behind the project.

### Earthquake-protection

The Centre's was involved with Concordia's new library complex through the inclusion of structural engineer Avtar Pall's innovative earthquake-protection device. The large metal Xs, which Pall began with his doctoral thesis at the Centre in 1977, are a distinctive visual element of the new building, and are expected to attract structural engineers from around the world.

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*Don't blame the weather, blame the building.*

## Wind tunnel effect on buildings on downtown streets is a big part of research at CBS

by Mariangela Vincenzi

You're walking in the shadow of tall buildings. Suddenly — whoosh! — the wind picks up and you're wrestling with your umbrella. Don't blame the weather, blame the building.

There's a direct correlation between the size and shape of buildings and the behaviour of the wind at street level, according to Ted Stathopoulos, Associate Director of Concordia's Centre for Building Studies.

Before the 1970s, the wind factor didn't matter much to the designers of new downtown buildings. By the mid-80s, however, Montréal was moving toward the inclusion of "wind clearance" guidelines in their building permits.

"Basically, it's not the height of the building that is most important, but the relative height compared with the surrounding buildings," Stathopoulos said.

"If the building is more than twice the average height of the surrounding ones,

it has to be examined very carefully in terms of wind and environment."

Architects and developers are starting to ask for studies by the Centre of their projects. Stathopoulos says they've done studies for sites at Guy St. and de Maisonneuve Blvd. and Guy and René-Lévesque Blvd. which are still "holes in the ground." Stathopoulos, who has been studying wind-building interaction for 13 years, uses a specially-built wind tunnel on the second floor of the Centre's downtown office building.

"Wind studies is a very new discipline," he said. "The research started in the '30s, '40s, '50s, in the sort of wind tunnels they use to test airplanes. Then it was discovered that you can't test buildings the way you test airplanes; wind is more complex near the ground."

His wind tunnel is a rectangular tube forty feet long and six feet across. Built in 1980, it receives frequent embellishments, such as the \$76,000 laser doppler anemometer which was recently added. Technician Hans Obermeier created and developed the wind tunnel, and it is used by five graduate students and a post-doctoral fellow, as well as Stathopoulos.

### Breezy

It's fairly breezy in the tunnel, about 14 meters per second, or 45 kilometres per hour — strong enough to knock your hat off, but not strong enough to

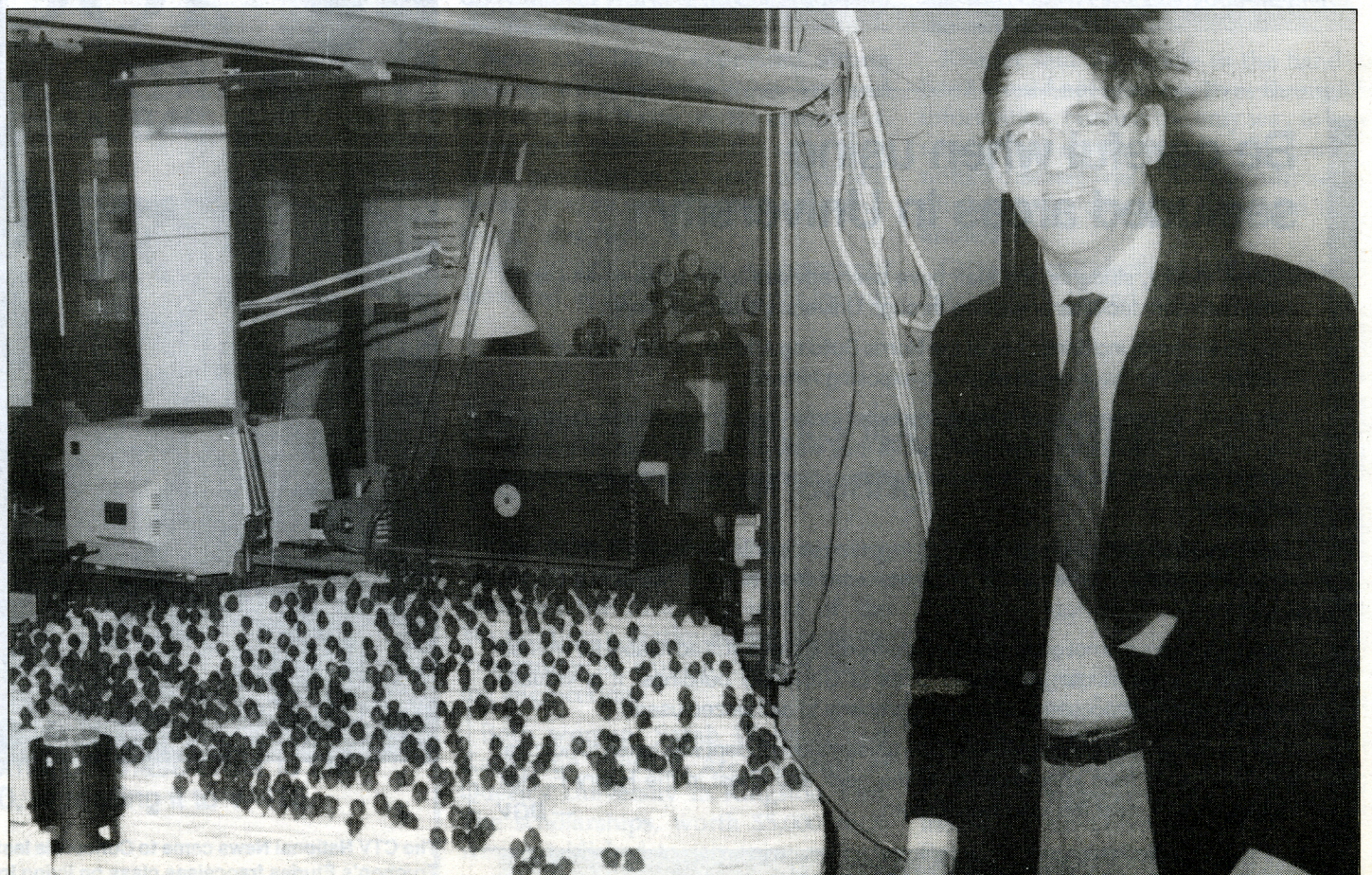
prevent the researchers from moving the models under examination.

Unlike the wind tunnels used for testing airplane components, of which the University has several, this tunnel has

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PHOTO: M. Vincenzi

CBS' Associate Director Ted Stathopoulos, tests the effects of his wind tunnel research.





# Faculty Council queries Dean's selection process

by Barbara Black

The Commerce and Administration Faculty Council has asked the University's three top administrators to come before Council to explain the circumstances surrounding the recent appointment of Dean Christopher A. Ross.

The request, made at last Friday's Council meeting, followed discussion of an open letter from Finance Professor Mohsen Anvari to Board of Governors Chairman P. André Gervais, and an article in the Feb. 4 edition of *The Link* titled "Concordia rector meddles in selection of Commerce and Administration dean."

In the letter, circulated on campus last week, Anvari says that he was a candidate for dean and was "officially informed" on Nov. 16, 1991 that he had been "unanimously recommended" by the Advisory Search Committee and "specifically supported by the Vice-

Rector, Academic."

The decision of the Advisory Search Committee was later reviewed by the Board of Governors, and Ross was appointed Dean on Jan. 23, 1992. Ross has been Acting Dean since former Dean Steven Appelbaum resigned in August 1990.

Ross' opening remarks as chair of Friday's Faculty Council meeting included an appeal to put the controversy surrounding his appointment aside, and to concentrate on the business of offering quality education to students.

## Innuendo

Many members of Faculty Council, however, referred to the "unhealthy atmosphere" generated by innuendo swirling around the dean's selection.

The motion for more information about the appointment was presented by Decision Sciences and Management Information Systems Chair Jerry Tomberlin. It passed by a narrow margin after considerable discussion: 20 for, 19 against, with one abstention.

Tomberlin emphasized that the motion was directed at the University's administration, and was in no way meant as a personal criticism of Dean Ross. His comments were echoed by the Council's student representatives, who supported the motion.

The motion reads as follows:

"Whereas this faculty council is extremely concerned about the tendency towards unilateral and arbitrary decision-making regarding academic matters in the University;

Whereas Council believes that this leads to the erosion of well-established traditions of faculty governance, academic freedom, and collegiality;

Whereas Council objects to the apparently unprecedented reversal of the normal proce-

dures for selecting the Dean of the Faculty of Commerce and Administration;

Whereas Council finds the explanation of this apparent reversal offered by the Chair of the Board of Governors in the Jan. 30, 1992 issue of CONCORDIA's Thursday Report to be inadequate;

Be it resolved that Council requests that the Board of Governors provide an explanation of the rationale for deviating from the procedures traditionally followed in the appointment of senior administrators.

Be it further resolved that the Senate be asked to adopt a similar resolution.

Be it further resolved that the Rector, Vice-Rector, Academic, and Chair of the Board of Governors be invited to the next Faculty Council meeting to explain this deviation from process."

## A nose for news

# CTV comes to Concordia class



PHOTO: Edmund Wong

The CTV National News came to Concordia last week to tape part of Professor Pascal Normand Truchon's *Études françaises* class on living in Québec for a piece on distinct societies.

## Trudel seeking to overturn dismissal

As a participant in the labour arbitration hearing involving former Concordia Professor Gerald Trudel, Concordia University is prevented from commenting publicly on the case.

As one of the University's publication arms, *CTR* must also refrain from making any detailed comment.

While *CTR* can discuss the general issue of sexual harassment, it cannot, as was done last week in *The Gazette*, make specific mention at this time of the particulars of Trudel's hearing.

Concordia fired Trudel in September 1990, claiming that he had sexually harassed his staff. The hearing is being held to determine if the dismissal was justified.

## Be careful when using secluded areas in University

Women faculty, students and staff have been advised to be extra careful when using bathroom facilities or walking through University buildings alone.

In three separate incidents, two at the Norris Building and one at the Henry F. Hall Building, women have reported a man exposing himself.

Last week, a small group of female students, including a *CTR* reporter, spotted a man hiding in the women's bathroom while they were on a break from an evening class in the Norris Building. The women chased him before reporting the incident to Security.

The Security Department recommends reporting incidents immediately and avoiding confrontation. Three similar incidents were reported last fall at the Loyola Campus.

Though flashers are not generally considered dangerous, it is advisable for women to double up when using secluded parts of University buildings. It is virtually impossible to limit access to Concordia property to authorized users.

In an unrelated incident last weekend, an unidentified student was taken to hospital after collapsing from knife wounds to the neck and chest in the Henry F. Hall Building Lobby, near the men's washroom.

— DGV



# Debate narrows field to two teams in CUSA general elections

by Laurel Stevens

In the aftermath of Monday's CUSA candidates debates, it has come down to a race between the teams of Charlene Nero/Phil Toone and Philip Dalton/Deborah Lindsay, for co-presidents of the undergraduate students' association.

A third team, Fadi Khader and Manal Ghamalanche, represented only by Khader in all three debates so far, fared

poorly in debate and the fourth team of Tom Fisher and Kieran Hackett bowed out of the race early Monday.

Philip Dalton told about 125 students at Reggie's Pub that if he and Lindsay are elected, they will "restructure CUSA into a federation of students, with four separate student associations representing the four Faculties: Arts and Science, Fine Arts, Commerce and Administration, and Engineering and Computer Science." A larger body would govern these associations.

Khader's main proposal was to "make CUSA accountable to all students.

If they're not satisfied with CUSA, I will give them the option of pulling their money out [the fees they contribute] and this money will go to service the school debt."

## Strength of record

Toone and Nero said they are running on the strength of their record in office this year. Nero is the incumbent and Toone is a Director of the Board.

"Last year, CUSA's radical platform worked," said Toone. "We had 400 per cent more job placements, handled 200 advocacy cases and for the first year, Cusacorp won't be left with a huge deficit."

Cusacorp finished the last fiscal year with more than \$70,000 in deficit. Toone said projections for this year indicate it will break even.

Some students present expressed concern about Dalton and Lindsay's platform of restructuring CUSA. One member of the audience questioned how much time and money it would take to arrange all the referenda necessary to restructure.

"It wouldn't be that complicated," replied Dalton.

One controversial issue was Dalton and Lindsay's stated intention to eliminate the salaries of CUSA vice-presidents, who are members of the new CUSA union.

## Exclude poor students

Members of the audience, as well as Nero and Toone, were concerned this would exclude students from less financially privileged backgrounds from participating.

"Saying that VPs won't be paid means we'll see an executive of students from wealthy backgrounds who can afford to do volunteer work," said one student in the audience.

Nero and Toone expressed strong feelings about paying CUSA VPs and staff as well. "If you want a competent, committed staff and at the same time want positions to be open to all students, you've got to pay them something," said Nero.

She added that her government managed to cut costs this year by cut-

ting administration salaries, but that "VPs are hired, not appointed, as you [Dalton] suggest, and as such they are employees, not management."

Khader said he agreed with Dalton that cutting VPs' salaries sounded like a good idea. When asked by students for his own ideas, he repeatedly said he didn't have many and asked students for theirs.

Another issue frequently raised at the debate was that of censorship. Dalton and Lindsay believed the now-infamous page 165 in this year's student handbook, promoting safe sex for gay men in explicit language, was pornographic and should have been edited extensively.

## No place in student handbook

"It was disgusting, it was aggressive, it had no place in a student handbook," said Lindsay. They are also campaigning on a platform of uncensored comedy at Reggie's. "If elected, I'll make sure that comedy is uncensored at Reggie's and at orientation," said Dalton. "Freedom of speech should be respected."

Nero and Toone stand firmly behind the safe sex article, while arguing that there is no place in a university for sexist, racist and homophobic humour.

"The article in the handbook had a purpose — to save lives," said Toone. "We went to the experts, professionals who work with people living with AIDS, and asked them how best to get the information across. They told us clinical terms don't work. Talk to people the way they talk. As for comedy, this university has a code of conduct that prohibits the kind of humour you're espousing. If you're seriously saying tonight that as co-president you plan to break the rules of the code of conduct of this university, I suggest you pull out of the race now."

Khader said the article in the handbook would not save any lives through information, because the only way to be sure of not spreading sexually transmitted diseases was to abstain from sex. This elicited a chorus of boos from the audience.

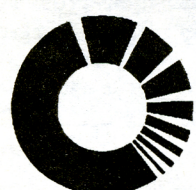
CUSA general elections will take place February 18, 19 and 20.

## APPEAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION TO PROFESSOR (ACPP)

The Collective Agreement between Concordia University and the Concordia University Faculty Association, in effect until May 31, 1992, established an Appeal Committee on the Promotion to Professor (ACPP). The membership of ACPP, as elected by the full-time faculty members of the relevant Faculty, is as follows:

- Five (5) regular members and five alternates
- Faculty of Commerce and Administration (1) S.K. Goyal, regular member; Derek Acland, alternate;
- Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science (1) Wagdi Habashi, regular member; A.M. Hanna, alternate;
- Faculty of Fine Arts (1) Edwy Cooke, regular member; Guido Molinari, alternate;
- Faculty of Arts and Science (2) Malcolm Foster, Gaston Laurion, regular members; Robert Philmus, alternate, one vacancy, alternate.

All elected members shall serve for a period of two years. The ACPP members have elected Wagdi Habashi as Chair of the Committee for one year.



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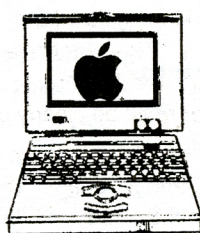
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## Memorial scholarships encourage women in engineering

The 1989 Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation recently announced the first recipients of the Foundation's National Scholarships Programme for women students studying engineering.

Both women, Sarah Westcott and Katherine Preston, are students at Queen's University in Kingston, Ont. The scholarships, worth \$5,000 each, were established to recognize and encourage promising Canadian women to

pursue careers in engineering. The selection of recipients is based on academic standing and community leadership.

Launched under the stewardship of the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers, the Foundation is led by a group of prominent members of Canada's engineering community in memory of the 14 women slain at Ecole Polytechnique on Dec. 6, 1989.

— DGV



# LETTERS

T O T H E E D I T O R

## Vice-Rector goes on record about Psychology move

In response to a letter in last week's CTR submitted by June Chaikelson, Anna Beth Doyle, Alan Schwartzman and Donna White:

It disappoints me that you did not have the courtesy to discuss with me the issues raised in your letter of 6 February (page 6 of CONCORDIA's Thursday Report). Had you done so, I could have pointed out privately the numerous errors contained in it and perhaps helped you avoid publishing such an inaccurate letter.

Now, of course, you have forced me to correct your errors and omissions in a public forum. Let me begin by reminding you that the Department of Psychology was informed in April 1991 that it would be required to vacate the ER Building. In addition, when I was Dean during the year 1991, I put forward the suggestion that Psychology be consolidated at Loyola. Hence, your comments that 1991 discussions about Psychology involved only the downtown campus is incorrect.

Then, you also err when you assert that Psychology only "accidentally" learned of the plan to give Psychology all of the High School. In December, as Dean, I received calls from [then-Vice-Rector, Services] Charles Giguère and Catherine MacKenzie. We discussed the High School as the best academic solution to the consolidation of the department. Following those conversations, I immediately called Dr. Norman Segalowitz and asked him to consult with his colleagues.

Dr. Segalowitz began discussions and, as a result, members of the Department met twice with Dr. MacKenzie in December and a third time with me in January 1992. No other department in the University was given these opportunities for direct consultation. In your letter you neglected to mention that in those meetings the **members of the department** categorically rejected locating the Department in the Henry F. Hall Building. The Hall Building, they insisted, was "unacceptable." You also fail to point out that the question of annexes was raised, not only by members of the Vice-Rector's office, but by members of the department and the reply was that it was unlikely that funds would become available to renovate them properly for Psychology.

Again, the offer of the High School, and please remember, most of the Drummond Science Building for Psychology, fits in perfectly with the principles accepted by the Board of

Governors and Senate. In addition, you knew when you wrote your letter that I **had already agreed to advance the date of the move of the CSBN to 1995.** I guess that my question is, why would you deliberately choose to ignore my commitment? Indeed, no one has suggested that Psychology be given anything other than special treatment, precisely in recognition of the major research and teaching functions of the department. I will remind you that the offer of the High School and Drummond Science Building will increase the total amount of space

available to Psychology by 500 square metres. The additional space places the department well above the government norms.

I know that members of Psychology have moved a number of times over the past few years. The beauty of the new plan is that no one will have to move in the foreseeable future. Thus, the move is not, as you claim, short-term expediency and it does, contrary to your assertion, "...guarantee [a] constructive long-range plan for the department." I am, of course, willing to talk with you about the plan at any time. But I want the discussions to be based on the truth and not on unfounded rumour and speculation.

**Charles L. Bertrand**  
Vice-Rector, Services

**'I know that members of Psychology have moved a number of times over the past few years. The beauty of the new plan is that no one will have to move in the foreseeable future.'**

## PR Director says we haven't seen the last of the infamous Maclean's magazine survey

✉ To the editor,

Some clarification is in order regarding Professor Jon Baggaley's letter in the Feb. 6 issue of CTR about the Maclean's magazine rating of Canadian university arts and science programmes.

Firstly, the controversy is not dead and buried. Maclean's is planning yet another ranking this year, and university groups in Ontario, the West, Atlantic Canada, CREPUQ (La conférence des recteurs et des principaux des universités du Québec) here in Québec, and AUCC (the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada) at the national level, are co-ordinating their efforts to develop criteria that they and the magazine can live with.

Just two weeks ago, high school guidance counsellors in Ontario began receiving unsolicited reprints of the Maclean's survey, which indicates to me that someone out there very much wants to keep the ratings issue alive.

The Public Relations Department's decision to distribute "31 reasons and counting..." was based on comments we received at the public assembly held here last fall to discuss possible fallout from the Maclean's survey.

Many faculty and staff told us they often feel woefully uninformed about what is happening on campus. They are justifiably proud of their accomplishments, and they want

their colleagues in other Faculties or units to know about them.

As Professor Baggaley surmises, "31 reasons and counting..." was never intended for external distribution. It was conceived as an internal 'morale builder' and an information source for those Concordia students, faculty and staff who may need a handy reference source when asked by family, friends or colleagues to describe some of what makes Concordia such a special place.

Just as importantly, the brochure is designed to encourage academic units to send our department material about their achievements, and thus help us to disseminate these success stories throughout both campuses and the external community.

One last point — erroneous information published in *The Gazette* (and subsequently repeated in other media) led many people like Professor Baggaley to conclude that Rector Patrick Kenniff refused to co-operate with Maclean's when the magazine published its survey.

In fact, all of the Concordia units contacted, including the Rector's Office, supplied the data requested — with one exception. The Rector did decline to answer one question in the portion of the survey directed at university heads. That question asked him to rate the reputations of other universities across Canada.

**Ken Whittingham, Director,**  
Public Relations Department

## Suggestions for a new Chancellor

Québec Superior Court Chief Justice Alan B. Gold will be stepping down as Chancellor of Concordia University on 30 September 1992. A Search Committee for a new Chancellor has been established by the Board of Governors of Concordia University. The Committee is inviting the members of the University community as well as friends of Concordia to suggest candidates for the position.

The Chancellor is the titular head of the University. He or she presides over six convocations each year as well as other ceremonial occasions of the University. He or she is a member of the Board of Governors and certain of its committees. The Chancellor acts as Chair of the Graduation Ceremonies Committee.

The Chancellor performs a strong leadership role both within and outside the University and acts as an external ambassador for the University. Candidates must be distinguished in their own field, and should

be effective public speakers. Previous affiliation with the University would be regarded as an asset.

Please forward suggestions, together with biographical material, by mail or fax by 13 March 1992, to:

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# Women, men and engineering: a workshop approach

by Rachel Alkallay

Changing attitudes and gender-sensitivity will be the focus of a unique workshop titled *Partners in Change: A Forum for Men* for the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science. The one-day pilot programme will be presented by a consulting firm on two dates, Feb. 24 and April 13. The session is designed to explore shifting perspectives within the classroom and the work world in male-dominated professions.

The full-day workshops can accommodate 15 male faculty members and are expected to attract chairs, department heads, and members of the Faculty administration. Sessions are being planned for graduate students and support staff.

## Enthusiastic response

Dean M.N.S. Swamy, who will participate in the Feb. 24 session, said that response to the forum has been enthusiastic. He is encouraging all interested members of the Faculty to register early as there are a limited number of spaces. The workshops, the first of their

kind to be held within a university context, will provide a forum to discuss and reflect on where the profession is going in the 1990s.

The Dean looks to the workshops as part of an open discussion on the topic of gender sensitivity within the Faculty. For example, behaviour that was once acceptable in the classroom, such as consistently using the pronoun "he," must be modified for a classroom with men and women students. Paternalistic behaviours, such as singling women out with offers of extra help, or delegating them to particular laboratories or suggesting certain types of work, do not adequately prepare women for the work world.

Corinne Jetté, Professor of Technical Writing, chairs the Committee on the Status of Women in Engineering and Computer Science which put forth the recommendation for the workshop to the Dean. She said that, because engineering is a problem-solving profession, obstacles within the Faculty need to be looked at, analyzed and a solution

proposed. But the first step is to recognize that some degree of exclusionary behaviour exists.

"If the profession is to renew itself, it must first apply the principles of problem analysis within its own disciplines," she said.

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The Ottawa firm of Neighbours Consulting/Consultation Entre Voisins, which designed the workshop, has previously had success with similar programmes offered to the Canadian Coast Guard College, Petro-Canada, and Transport Canada.

The Concordia workshop has been formulated by analyzing the responses to a survey of all women graduates of the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science from the past 11 years. Ken Fisher, who will conduct the sessions with another consultant, is the only man serving on the National Advisory Council on the Status of Women.

The Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science has established initiatives to address two specific areas of concern. Part of the mandate of the Committee

on the Status of Women in Engineering and Computer Science, formed in January 1989, has been to look at ways to attract more women into the Faculty, both as students and as faculty members.

## Challenging career for women

To address the issue of improving the work and study environment, the Women in Engineering and Computer Science (WECOS) programme offers women students opportunities for informal support. WECOS promotes the profession by presenting it as a challenging career for women. Also, women are encouraged to continue their studies at the graduate level.

Other recommendations include the implementation of a mentoring programme, which was launched last month (see article, page one), as well as planning special events such as the 1990 symposium on "Excellence and Equality in the Engineering Profession."

The Feb. 24 and April 13 *Partners in Change: A Forum for Men* workshops are open to all members of the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, although space is limited. For further information and registration, please contact the Chair or Director of your Department.

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and engineering."

Approximately 80 women — students, professional engineers and computer experts — met each other for the first time at the dinner.

WECOS co-ordinator Angela Plover, a fourth-year Industrial Engineering student, started the project when she did research in the mentoring concept in 1989. She was able to see her work come alive as the women began their discussions over dinner.

Mentors and 'mentees' are expected to get together casually on an individual basis at least once a month to discuss goals, and offer guidance and support.

Plover's interest began in 1989, when two women who had complained about sexism in class were lampooned in a now-defunct Engineering newspaper. She discovered that women students lacked a support system to discuss the special situations they encountered, and with encouragement of the Dean and the Status of Women Committee, started to organize the programme.

## Balanced representation

Dean Swamy, whose daughter is a Concordia Engineering graduate, believes that the myth that men don't want women engineers should be buried. The problem faced by women engineers and computer scientists must be attacked at every level (or as he puts it, "little drops of water make a mighty ocean") to ensure more balanced repre-

sentation in the field.

Plover, in a statement echoed by Dean Swamy, said that isolation and lack of female role models are major problems for female students in the Faculty. "Either you are overly visible or invisible," she said. Sexist attitudes of professors and students in the classroom are perpetuated in the language used in textbooks. A better awareness of the problems has led the Engineering and Computer Science Association (ECA) to work harder at overcoming these hurdles.

## Camaraderie

The women students have often been influenced by fathers and brothers who are engineers, and who encouraged them to be the best they can be. While students such as Dinah Farag say camaraderie exists with male students, and the women don't feel patronized by them, mentors at the dinner said that feeling disappears in the work force in the competition for jobs. Mentor Esther Balevi says that even with her engineering and accounting degrees, she still has to work ten times as hard as a man to get as far.

On the other hand, Amy Pinchuk, one of two women engineers employed by a high-tech firm, has experienced no discrimination on the job, but has seen sexism occasionally on a personal level. Computer Science graduate Laverne Morrison has found that she has to fight harder at work to get the assignments she wants, but, she says, that could be

because she is new at the job.

## Use of potential

The mentoring programme matches students and professionals with similar backgrounds, goals and interests. Students interested in combining career, marriage, and family are teamed up with a mentor who has successfully worked out these situations. Diana Sheinfeld, a mechanical engineer with more than 25 years experience, has had

the support of an engineer husband who encouraged her to work full-time while raising a family. She urges women "not to take the path of least resistance." If you truly love mathematics, science, and physics, she says, use your potential to its fullest.

Plover hopes that the mentoring programme will catch on in other universities.

Anyone interested in becoming either a mentor or a mentee should contact Angela Plover at 848-3073.

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Mentors and 'mentees' gather at the inauguration dinner. Mentors (first row, left to right) Nicole Jardin, Micheline Kamber, Cassie Kelly and Adina Bailey. (Back row, left to right) Coordinator of the Status of Women for the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, Angela Plover, students Karine Desbiens and Harriet Nussbaum, Dean M.N.S. Swamy, and students Stef Martino and Sandra Fabiano.





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Professor Le Van Mao (centre) helps Vietnamese and Chinese boat people settle into better lives.

raised \$600,000. As of January 1991, the organization had sponsored 199 refugees from Hong Kong and Vietnam, including 50 who are now in Canada. Between March and September, another 150 sponsorship applications were made.

Most of SBPC's funding has come from the U.S., Italy and Switzerland. The organization even has a full-time fundraiser in Italy, where Le Van Mao lived prior to his move to Canada. Because Italy does not accept refugees, Italian philanthropists and charity organizations see SBPC as a good way to contribute to the refugee cause, he said.

Le Van Mao said Canada hasn't been

targeted for fund-raising because of the recession.

SBPC not only gathers money for refugees, but acts as a miniature Amnesty International for refugees in camps in South-East Asia. Because Vietnam has said it will repatriate all non-political refugees, SBPC is applying pressure to ensure that political refugees have their cases re-examined.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney has sent a letter of support stating that he will pay attention to the situation. Although it is a good sign, Le Van Mao said he wishes the Canadian government would take a more active role regarding political refugees.

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NAACP, a national American organization for the advancement of Blacks. They will discuss, among other things, relations between the police force and Blacks.

There are Blacks in public office in Canada, notably Lincoln Alexander, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, and Howard McCurdy, New Democratic Party member of parliament, but none "in the kind of power position of Blacks in the U.S.," said Bayne. He sees an increased need for a North American Black community in light of the fact that they don't have much say in the current Canadian constitutional talks.

"If the provinces want to run moats between themselves, we can't do anything about that," said Bayne. "What we can do is start meaningful social, political and cultural linkages with Black Americans. At least we can see ourselves as North American Blacks."

Bayne points out that natural links exist already. Many Blacks have family and friends in the United States, and there is travel between the two countries for cultural events, political rallies and organized exchanges.

Many Black Canadians identify with

the way American Blacks talk and sing, said Bayne. "The common linkage is the African-ness of the whole underlying influence."

Four plays-in-progress currently sit on Bayne's desk at home. At this moment, however, his energy is focused on his academic duties.

Bayne's academic life has been as rich as his involvement in the community and the arts. He has a doctorate in Economics and has written a dozen research papers in the field. He feels his multidisciplinary background will be useful in the diploma programmes he oversees. Students may specialize in five different areas: health, sports, arts administration, educational administration, and a option in the non-profit sector.

"Concordia's openness has allowed me to use skills which I developed working in the community," said Bayne. "I hope to use them to the advantage of the students."

He feels that community work is much more than "just social activities. It's dealing with people's lives, and the development of society itself."

The Simone de Beauvoir Institute of Concordia University,  
The McGill Centre for Research and Teaching on Women  
present

## February - Black History Month - 1992

Thursday, February 13 at 20h30

Abena P.A. Busia  
Associate Professor, Department of English, Rutgers, The State University

"Black Women's Fiction and the Discourse on History"

Dr. Abena Busia, teacher, poet and literary critic, was born in Ghana. Her childhood experiences in Holland, Mexico and England have helped personalize the theme of exile which is central to her work. She is the author of *Testimonies of Exile*. She was also the winner of an Andrew Mellon Fellowship in the English department of Bryn Mawr College.

Tuesday, February 18 at 20h30

Dorothy Williams  
Researcher

"Black Women Building a Community"

Dorothy Williams is a graduate from the School of Community and Public Affairs, Concordia University. She has been Director of the Negro Community Centre in 1987-88. Her book *Blacks in Montreal* was published in 1989 and is an important document in Black history in Montreal. Ms. Williams is currently studying Business and Hotel Management.

Thursday, February 20 at 20h30

Juliana Abbenyi  
Student, Comparative Literature, McGill University

"Black Feminism: an African Feminist Perspective"

Juliana Abbenyi, a native of Cameroun, is working on her Ph.D. in Comparative Literature. She has conducted extensive research on oral African literature, especially folktales and the place of women in these tales. Her talk will focus on issues such as 'What feminism represents for Third World women, and especially for African women?', 'What place do Third World women have within feminism?', 'Why are most African women hostile to feminism?'

The Black Studies Centre  
1968 de Maisonneuve Blvd West

Information/Reservation: 848-2373



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With special thanks to Marlene Jennings of the MUC, the Arts and Science Faculty, the Department of History and Visiting Lecturers Committee of Concordia University for their donations.



## Mechanical Engineering makes recommendations on teaching evaluation

At a meeting of the Mechanical Engineering Department's Council on Jan. 22, it was decided that a committee be formed to study and propose recommendations on teaching evaluation in the Department.

Periodic assessments at the end of each course would take the following criteria into consideration for the evaluation of teaching:

1. Course evaluation for individual faculty.
2. Evaluation of lab demonstrators and tutors.
3. Student feedback.
4. Quality of lab manuals and class notes prepared by individual professors.
5. Effective use of audio visual techniques, teaching techniques and other teaching aids used by individual professors.
6. Availability of professors for consultation with students.
7. Special lectures on selected subjects related to course material organized by professors with specialists from industry.

Also, the following are proposed plans for the enhancement of teaching:

1. Make computer technology available to professors.
2. Make greater efforts to hire and identify more qualified lab demonstrators and tutors.
3. Closely monitor the effectiveness of tutors and lab demonstrators in dealing with students.
4. Continually upgrade undergraduate and graduate labs.
5. Continually monitor and develop curriculum at the undergraduate and graduate levels to reflect advances in science and technology, such as ultrafine particle engineering, micro-machines and micro-mechanics.
6. Incorporate greater application of computer data acquisition and processes, robotic manipulators and machining centres for computer integrated manufacturing.
7. Increase budget for invitation of experts and practising engineers to present seminars to undergraduate and graduate students.
8. Make greater effort to establish more interaction between students and industry, especially in courses with design projects.
9. Fulfill the objectives of the mission statement of the Department of Mechanical Engineering regarding the hiring of professors, emphasizing teaching as a vital component of the duties of professors.
10. Organize short-term courses in the area of engineering education to inform faculty and graduate students in the latest teaching techniques.

The Council appointed Professors George Abdou, Tadeusz Krepec, V.N. Latinovic and Ramesh Rajagopalan as members of the committee, with Krepec as the chair.

— DGV

## ROMANIAN VISITING PROFESSOR OF JOURNALISM

Professor Mihai Coman, Dean of the Faculty of Journalism, University of Bucharest, Romania, will be visiting Concordia from Feb. 17 to 21.

His visit is sponsored by the Departments of Communication Studies and Journalism, and the Loyola Peace Institute.

A social anthropologist and journalist, Coman was in Romania during the revolutionary process in 1989. As Dean of the new Faculty of Journalism, he is facing the challenge of training future professionals in the framework of an unprecedented transition of values and attitudes.

Professor Coman will give the following presentations:

- Tuesday, Feb. 18, 4:15 p.m., Bryan Building, Room 417  
He will speak on "Media Ethics in Revolutionary and Post-Revolutionary Romania" during Professor David Eley's class, Media and Peace.
- Wednesday, Feb. 19, noon to 1 p.m., Bryan Building, Room 209  
Colloquium Series: "The Role of Journalism in Post-Revolutionary Romania."
- Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Bryan Building, Room 320  
Coman will participate in a seminar on "Criticism of the Dismembering and Re-membering Approach to Social Change," sponsored by the Joint PhD programme (Development and International Communications).

**For more information, contact  
Dov Shinar at 848-2560.**

## Arts and Science

# Council stands by decision to nominate History Student to committee for new dean

by Silvia Cademartori

The Advisory Search Committee for a new Dean of Arts and Science has begun its work with one undergraduate student on board instead of two.

History student David Parent was twice nominated by the Arts and Science Faculty Council to fill one of two undergraduate positions on the Committee, but Council representatives say that his candidature was twice rejected by the Board of Governors.

The Council's student caucus refused to submit another name, choosing instead to forfeit its seat on the Committee.

In a written statement to Council, student caucus leader Deepak Awasti said that he cannot accept the reasoning that Parent may be in a conflict of interest position simply because Parent is suing both the University and Code of Conduct Administrator John Relton.

The lawsuit stems from a Code of Conduct case last year.

"Students cannot allow the most capable person to be replaced by the most convenient person," Awasti said.

Board of Governors representatives say that Parent's nomination was discussed in closed session of the Board and they are prevented by the rules of confidentiality to comment publicly on the matter.

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language institutions worldwide, however, the word 'magisteriate' was coined expressly during this debate.

English Professor Katherine Waters, author of the new word and a Committee member, said "the change should go through, not only for the sake of innovation, but because the words sound good. Baccalaureate and magisteriate have no sexist connotation, especially magisteriate since it does not even exist in the English language. We should inform Oxford and Merriam-Webster immediately of this new word."

Innovation, especially in matters of gender equality, is something for which the University is known. Solar reminded Senate that Concordia was the first university in Canada to establish an office on the status of women in 1987.

"We can be innovative again," she said.

Charlene Nero, CUSA Co-President, told Senate that the executive committee of CUSA had unanimously approved the motion at a meeting last August and echoed Solar's sentiments on Concordia's reputation as a leader in matters relating to gender equality.

Though the motion was approved by Senate, the issue of degree nomenclature has a way to go before being put into practice. Oppenheim said that even

if and when the motion is approved by the Board of Governors, the University must apply to the Conseil des universités, receive recommendations from Québec professional corporations and subsequently, seek approval from the government.

## Newman voices non-confidence

In other business, Senate member Elaine Newman gave notice of motion concerning consideration of the practices of governance as illustrated by the Advisory Search Committee for the dean of the Faculty of Commerce and Administration. (See related story, page 8.) Later, during question period, she suggested a notice of motion for a vote of non-confidence in

Board of Governors Chairman P. André Gervais. Senate Chair Patrick Kenniff told her that if she brought such a motion forward, it would be ruled out of order.

In a related matter, Senate member William Knitter, speaking on behalf of Chairs' Caucus, gave notice of motion for Senate to request that the hearings of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Rules and Procedures for Evaluation Committees and Advisory Search Committees, chaired by Governor Reginald Groome, be made public.

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video compact discs to pack in as much material as possible, and making them interactive. The modules are being developed by Concordia's Department of Education through an internship.

## Graduates return

Peter Byrne, class of 1985, is typical of the graduates who will be going to the Feb. 29 birthday party. Now project manager at Coffrages Industriels, a sub-contracting company, he left CEGEP intending to be an engineer but was already daunted by the theoretical quality of his science courses.

"All that physics and chemistry — I thought, my God, this is going to be terrible! I wanted to see the practical applications. And Building Studies had something different to offer."

Byrne liked the intimacy of the learning environment — there were only 20 people in his year — and now that he's out, he feels he knows "more about the construction industry than other people." A Bachelor of Engineering in Building Studies doesn't carry any automatic cachet, though; he often has to explain his degree to colleagues.

Sabatino Schiavone, who is in his fourth and final year and heads the students' society, was always interested in the construction business because it was his father's livelihood. Attracted at first to architectural engineering, he opted instead for Building Studies, and "loves it." Lara Pasqualetto, who took part in the recent international concrete toboggan race at Concordia, was "always more interested in building buildings than bridges." She likes the Centre's family atmosphere.

"People don't compete here. They help and rely on each other."

## Big party

"It's going to be big, elaborate, exciting!" said Professor Osama Moselhi, who is in charge of organizing the 15th anniversary dinner-dance. Scheduled to take place Feb. 29 at the Four Seasons Hotel, the gala will include guests from the building industry, government and granting agencies as well as graduates, students, faculty and staff. Industrial sponsors will be given certificates in gratitude for their support over the years.

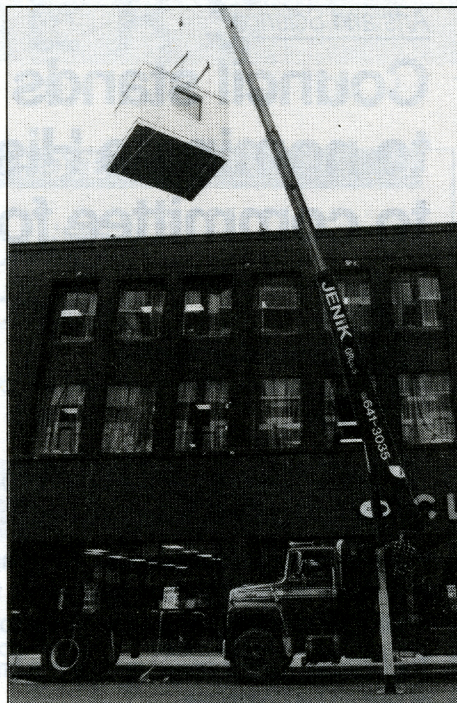
Fazio says that members and friends of the Centre welcome the entire University community to take part in the celebration. For tickets, call Donna Caputo at 848-3205.

## Visiting Premier

Nova Scotia Premier **Donald Cameron** will be speaking about the Canadian Constitution.

Tuesday, February 18  
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
Room H-420, Henry F. Hall Building.

Everyone is welcome.



PHOTOS: Charles Bélanger

**Professor Andreas Athienitis uses an experimental unit on the roof of the Centre's downtown office building for his research in a computerized heating system.**

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"boundary-layer" properties to simulate the friction which complicates wind action near the ground. In fact, Stathopoulos has used all sorts of materials, such as egg cartons, pieces of carpet, and packaging material, to work out a rough surface which will duplicate, in miniature, the conditions affecting his building models, which are scaled down by a factor of 500.

The researchers also make use of meteorological data. Six or seven weather stations in the Montréal area tell them which way the wind is blowing, and how fast.

Seventy-kilometre-an-hour winds are acceptable if they occur only once every five years, but would be intolerable if they happen once a month in a heavy pedestrian area, Stathopoulos said. He looks forward to the continued development of the tunnel experiments.

"The really fascinating thing in this area is that there are always new things to look at."

## Youth Challenge International BENEFIT BLUES CONCERT

at Reggie's Pub  
7th floor, Henry F. Hall Building  
Friday, Feb. 14, 1992  
\$5 cover to benefit  
Doors open at 8 p.m.

YCI is a non-profit youth initiatives programme which emphasizes constructive, empowering approaches to development for both the people of developing country as well as the youth who participate.

Two Concordia students, Hugh Pritchard and Gretchen Ferguson, are part of a group of 50 young Canadians selected to participate in a Youth Challenge International project in Guyana, a former British colony near Venezuela and Brazil.

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## CONCERT HALL



### CONCORDIA CONCERT HALL

The Concert Hall is located at 7141 Sherbrooke St. W. (Metro Vendome - Autobus 105).  
Admission is **free to all concerts.**  
(except where indicated.) Information: 848-7928.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

### Jeri Brown

Jazz vocalist. Special guest: guitarist Peter Leitch with George Mitchell, Wali Muhammad. Time: 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

### Luba and Ireneus Zuk

Duo pianos. Works by Manuel Infante, Wolfgang Bottenberg, Ihor Bilohrud, Clifford Crawley and

Franz Liszt. Time: 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

### Concordia Chamber Choir

Time: 2 p.m.

### "Friedrich Nietzsche: The Composer"

Concert & short lecture by Prof. Wolfgang Bottenberg. Time: 8 p.m. Sponsored by Lonergan College and the Music Department. For info. 848-2280.

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## CPR COURSES

The following CPR courses will be offered by the Environmental Health & Safety Office in the next few weeks. Members of the Concordia community or outside community are all welcomed to take these courses. There will be a discount price for the Concordia community. For all those who are interested, please contact Donna Fasciano, Training Coordinator at 848-4355 for more information.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

### CPR Heartsaver Plus Course

8-hours for life. This course includes rescuer CPR management of the obstructed airway and infant, child resuscitation.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29

### BCLS Instructor's Course

This 16-hours course is for people who would like to become instructors. Pre-requisites for candidature are: 1) certification within the previous 6 months in Basic Cardiac Life Support and 2) an interest in teaching.

MARCH 1 & 7

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## ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

### Holistic Health using Polarity Therapy

Polarity therapy is a hands-on method that addresses the health and balance of body, mind and spirit. It works with the vital energy in our bodies to bring us better health, relief from pain, and emotional equilibrium. Location: Faculty Club Dining Room, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West, 7th Floor. Time: 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Price \$11. Tickets: call Gabrielle Korn at 848-3817. Reservations are confirmed upon receipt of payment.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

### Loyola Club of Montreal

Dinner-meeting featuring guest speaker Ronald Corey. St. James' Club, 1445 Union Avenue. Time: 6:30 p.m. cocktails, 7:00 p.m. dinner. \$50 members, \$60 non-members, payable to Loyola Alumni Association Inc. (Yearly membership in the Loyola Club \$25). Tickets and information: call Gabrielle Murphy at 848-3823.

## THESIS DEFENSE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

XIAOCHUAN LI at 2:30 p.m. in Rm H-773, (1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.) Thesis title: "Single-Crystal Electron Paramagnetic Resonance Studies of Phase Transitions, Jahn-Teller effect and Spin-Hamiltonian Parameters."

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

MARIAM BETH NOEL at 10:00 a.m. in Rm H-769, (1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.) Thesis Title: "The Effect of Opiate Injections into the Ventral Tegmental Area on Feeding."

## ART GALLERY

The Concordia Art Gallery is located in the Henry F. Hall Bldg. (Mezzanine Level), 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W. Information: 848-4750.

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Faculty of Fine Arts, Biennale and International City



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CAMPUS MINISTRY

**Loyola Campus:** Belmore House is now located at 2496 West Broadway. Phone 848-3588. SGW Campus: Annex Z, 2090 Mackay. Phone: 848-3590, 3591, 3593.

SUNDAYS

**Loyola Chapel RC Mass**

Sundays 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Weekdays at 12:05 p.m.

MONDAYS

**Bible Study for Agnostics**

Rev. Anne Hall, United Church Minister, will be available at Belmore House. Anyone interested in a "Bible Study for Agnostics," or who has questions or concerns is invited to call or drop in. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. 2496 West Broadway, 848-3592.

**Meditation/Faith Sharing Evenings**

Exploring the spirituality of Julian of Norwich, a 14th century creation-centered mystic/prophet. Time: 7:30 - 9 p.m. Held at the Sisters of St. Anne Residence, 5140 West Broadway. A warm welcome to everyone. For more information call Michelina Bertone, S.S.A., at 481-7875 or 848-3591.

TUESDAYS

**Prison Visit Program Continues**

A dialogue program with inmates at Bordeaux. Students must meet with one of the Chaplains in

advance. Please call Peter Coté for information 848-3586.

WEDNESDAYS

**Women's Spirituality Circle**

Reflecting, celebrating, praying, using the book, *Dance of the Spirit: Seven Steps for Women's spirituality*. Meetings are once a week. Time: 2:00 to 4 p.m. Location: 2090 Mackay, room 105. For information call Daryl Lynn Ross at 848-3585 or 3593.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

**Gathering of Men**

Men who are interested in the need to evaluate male identity by reflecting on the various images of maleness in today's culture and its implications with regards to male sexuality and spirituality. Meetings on alternate Tuesdays. For information call Robert Nagy: 848-3587. Belmore House at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

**Community Suppers**

An open invitation to all who want to be part of chaplaincy life (programs, events, worship, etc.) to partake in a meal, to meet friends, to build community. These are shared meals: bring something of your own to share. Belmore House at 6 p.m. For information call Peter Coté at 848-3586.

COUNSELLING & DEVELOPMENT

Do you know where to find the answers to the following questions? Where to locate university calendars worldwide? How to prepare for an employment interview? Where to apply for private sources of financial aid? How to study? How to determine which universities offer particular educational programs? Where to find information on occupational options and career planning? Come to Counselling & Development (Student Services) and find the answers. Sir George Williams Campus, H-440, Henry F. Hall Bldg., 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W., 848-3556 and Loyola Campus, 2490 West Broadway, 848-3555.

When registering for or changing courses, also register for the many group Programs or Workshops available at Student Services - Counselling and Development. Our brochure gives you the description, times and dates of these helpful and interesting programs. You can register on the spot or take the brochure home and see what fits your timetable. Better grades, help with coping with personal issues or simply meeting new and interesting people may be only a registration away. Drop by the Counselling and Development Office at either campus and see what's waiting for you.

**Careers Library**

The Careers Library, recognized as one of the best of its kind in Canada, helps students take control of their career development, including

educational-decision making, career planning and job search.

**Learning & Writing Centre**

The Learning & Writing Centre offers assistance to all Concordia students who want to improve their academic skills and learning potential.

**Counselling Services**

Professional counsellors offer Concordia students educational, career, and personal counselling, one on one or in groups.

**Canada Employment Centre**

The Canada Employment Centre offers employment counselling and placement services to undergraduate and graduate students seeking part-time, summer or permanent employment. Location: 2070 Mackay Street. Info: 283-5177.

WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS

**Drop in Service**

A Drop in Service is available at Counselling and Development, Loyola Campus, provides for 15 minute periods to help students with brief questions of an educational nature. Time: 12:00 - 1 p.m. Location: 2490 West Broadway. Info: 848-3555.

LACOLLE CENTRE

**The Art of Verbal Self-Defense**

Learn how to combat verbal abuse with common-sense techniques to diffuse potentially volatile situations. Identify your language patterns and how they can be altered to reduce tension in interactions. This workshop series is offered in two formats: 5 evenings, 3 hours per session, or 2 Sundays, 7 hours each day. Workshop leader: Evelyn Zohar, R.N., N.A., E.T.N.S. is Executive Director of Healthquest Consultants. Sundays, March 8 and 15. Time: 9:30 - 5:30 p.m. Location to be announced, \$250.

**Time Management**

A seminar designed to help you use your time more effectively and efficiently. Participants learn such skills as planning, setting short and long term goals, and how to say "NO" without feeling guilty. The facilitator utilizes such methods as discus-

sion, lecture and role-playing to ensure that the learner achieves his or her goal of better time management. This workshop series is offered in two formats: Sundays, Feb. 13 and 23. Time: 9:30 - 5:30 p.m. or Mondays & Wednesdays, March 2 - 16. Time: 7 - 10 p.m. Location to be announced. \$250

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

**Thinking Critically About Bio-Ethical Issues**

A workshop designed to enhance awareness and comprehension of some of the issues considered in the area of Bio-ethics, to examine what general principles may be relevant to such issues, and to explore pedagogical methods for discussing these issues critically. Time: 9:30 - 12:30 p.m. Location to be announced. \$35

LECTURES/SEMINARS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**Thursdays at Lonergan**

Wynne Francis, Professor, Department of English, Concordia University, and Lonergan Fellow on "Nietzsche And The Modern Poets."

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

**Concordia Central America Committee**

Panel discussion & photo exhibition on "Nicaragua, After The Sandinistas: Two Years of Right Wing Government." Free Admission. Time: 7 p.m. Location: Mugshots H-651, 1455 de Maisonneuve W.

**Muslim Identity in Canadian Universities**

Speaker Dr. Ahmad Shafaat. Hall 427. Time: 5:30 p.m. A discussion to follow. Sweets and drinks to be served. All welcomed. Sponsored by the Muslim Students Association.

**Living Islam in the Spirit of an African**

The Muslim Students Association Coalition of Montreal, in association with the Vanier Club Quest for African Knowledge presents Muhammad Abdul Malik speaking at Westmount High School, 4350 St Catherine Street West. Time: 7 p.m. \$2 entrance fee.

**Brown Bag Bulletin**

Professors Bill Buxton and Charles Acland will speak on "Rockefeller Philanthropy and Canadian Culture: The Dilemmas of Continental Nationalism". At noon, in the lounge of the Vanier Library Office Complex.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

**Faculty of Commerce and Administration**

The Faculty of Commerce and Administration is holding an information session for its Master of Science in Administration Programme. Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: EMBA Classroom, GM 407-1, 1550 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W. Information: 848-2711 to confirm attendance.

**Islamic Day**

There will be an Islamic exhibition and book sale. Videos on Islam will be presented.

**Thursdays at Lonergan**

Wynne Francis, Professor, Department of English and Lonergan Fellow, on "Nietzsche and Irving Layton, Part II". Time: 3:30 - 4 p.m. Location: 7302 Sherbrooke Street W. Information: 848-2280.

**Geology Department**

Dr. Steven Cheung, Department of Civil Engineering will speak on "Disposal of Radioactive Waste in Canada". Time: 1 p.m. Location: L-DS Rm 229, 6141 Sherbrooke Street West.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

**Learning Development Office**

Workshop For Faculty. **The Development of the Teaching Dossier: Documenting teaching accomplishment.** Registration Fee: \$10, includes refreshments and a copy of "Documenting

Teaching Accomplishment: A Dalhousie Guide to the Teaching Dossier", written by Alan Wright (resource person) Please call before 848-2495 to register before February 21.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

**The Classics Department**

presents a seminar by Keith Adams entitled, "Environment and Roman History." Keith has recently successfully defended his M.A. (Concordia History) thesis of the same title. The Classics Students' Association will serve wine and cheese afterwards. All are Welcome!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

**The School of Community and Public Affairs**

Are Hosting a "Brown Bag" Fellows Forum on Public Policy Series. Professor Guy Lachapelle, department of Political Science on "Polling, Political Parties and Public Policy". Time: 12:30 - 2:00. 2149 MacKay Street, Basement Lounge (SCPA)

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

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**Indigenous Peoples International**

present, Guest speakers; Marie Anneharte, June Delisle and Alanis Obamsawin on "Women of the First Nations Speak: an Evening of Poetry, Fiction and Song". A minimum donation of \$3 will be required at the door. All proceeds will go to **The Native Women's Shelter**. Time: 7 p.m. Location: H-762, 1455 de Maisonneuve W.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

**Celebrating Black Herstory**

A night of Women's Film. A selection of films by Black women, including *Mami Wata* by Monik Dofen, will be present. Starts at 7 p.m. 2170 Bishop (Lounge) For info call 848-7431.

MEETINGS

**Amateur Radio Club Meetings**

Meetings will be held every Tuesday night from 7 to 10 p.m. in H-644-1. Get on the air and talk to the world "FREE" via personal ham radio. New members welcome. For more information call 848-7421.

**Arts & Science Faculty Council Meeting**

The next Arts and Science Faculty Council Meeting will be on Friday, February 21, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. in DL-200, 7141 Sherbrooke St. W.

**Board of Graduate Studies Meetings**

The next Board of Graduate Studies Meeting will be held on Friday, February 21, 1992. Location: H-762, 1455 de Maisonneuve W. Time: 2 p.m.

**Concordia Accounting Society (CAS)**

Concordia Accounting Society is organizing a meeting for Environmental Accounting Con-

ference and Career Days to be held on March 4th. Time: 11:30 a.m. Location: 1550 de Maisonneuve West, GM/Rm 300-24.

THEATRE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

**Concordia Student Theatre**

Concordia Student Theatre will be holding auditions for "Tell Them": an original play by Mauro Casiraghi, to be presented in late March or early April. Auditions are open to all, and we need one actor who is physically disabled and one able bodied. Auditions will be held at 1455 de Maisonneuve St. West, Rm H-537. Time: 1 - 4 p.m. For information call Ron 483-5755.

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## WOMEN'S AGENDA

### Sexual Harassment Project

Have you been a victim of sexism? The student-run Sexual Harassment Project is compiling accounts of sexism on campus and we would like to hear your story. We can ensure your **anonymity**. If you have been harassed, threatened, or assaulted, we offer **CONFIDENTIAL** support and referral services. For **women only**. Contact Sarah Kresh at 848-7411; or drop by room P-103, 2020 Mackay Street.

### TUESDAYS

#### Open Stage Coffee House

All invited to share their creativity. \$2.00 audience, \$1.00 performers, includes coffee, tea and snacks. Delicious inexpensive baked goods. Time: 8 p.m. to Midnight. 87 Bernard (at St-Urbain) Information: 483-1953 or 279-6868.

### THURSDAYS

#### Permanent Review Committee on the Status of Women

Meets and organizes to respond to the needs of students, staff and faculty. Information: 848-7431.

#### Narcotics Anonymous Women's Group

For women recovering or wanting to recover from substance abuse. 7:30 p.m. at the Women's Centre, 2020 Mackay, downstairs. Information: 525-0333.

### Lesbian Studies Coalition of Concordia

The Coalition meets on Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Simone de Beauvoir Lounge (2170 Bishop). Information: 848-7474.

### FRIDAYS

#### Lesbian & Gay Friends of Concordia (LGFC)

Open discussion over coffee for members of the University and beyond. 5 p.m. at 2020 Mackay, 1st floor. 848-7414.

#### Bi-the Way

Bisexual Women's discussion group now meets regularly. Time: 8 p.m. Location: McGill Women's Union, 3480 McTavish, Room 423. Information: 598-8661.

#### Women's Studies Student Association

Meets every other Friday, beging Feb. 14. All students enrolled in Women's Studies of taking a WSDB course are welcome. Simone de Beauvoir Inst. (2170 Bishop) Time: 12:30. For info call 848-7449

#### How do I look?

"The Me in Media", part of the "How do I look?" Film and Video Series. 16h30-19h at SGW campus-Bourget Bldg., 1230 Mountain, rm 108. Series continues Mar 2,6,9 and 10.

## FILM

### Conservatory of Cinematographic Art

Admission: \$2.75 (including taxes) per screening. Location: H-110, Alumni Auditorium, Henry F. Hall Bldg. (1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W.). Information: 848-3878.

### THURSDAYS, FEBRUARY 13

Chinatown, (1974), Roman Polanski, at 7:45 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

The Roaring Twenties (1939), Raoul Walsh, at 7 p.m.; Rear Window (1954), Alfred Hitchcock at 9 p.m.

### Loyola Film Series

Free Admission. 7141 Sherbrooke Street West. Telephone: 848-3878

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

I Live in Fear (1955), Akira Kurosawa, at 7 p.m.; Ikiru (1952), Akira Kurosawa at 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

The Lower Depths (1957), Akira Kurosawa at 7

p.m.; Seven Samurai (1954), Akira Kurosawa at 9:15 p.m.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Throne Of Blood (1957), Akira Kurosawa at 7 p.m.; Le Cercle Rouge (1970), Jean-Pierre Melville at 9 p.m.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

A Double Tour (1959), Claude Chabrol at 8:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Ludwig - Requiem Pour Un Roi Vierge (1972), Hans Jurgen Syberberg at 8:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Elvis Gratton (1985), Pierre Falardeau, Julien Poulin at 8:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

The Men Who Tread On The Tiger's Tail (1945), Akira Kurosawa at 7 p.m.; The Hidden Fortress (1958), Akira Kurosawa at 8:30 p.m.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Centre for Building Studies 15th Anniversary Dinner

To Commemorate its 15th anniversary, The Centre for Building Studies cordially invites you to participate in an evening of dining and dancing to be held at Le Quatre Saisons Hotel, 1050 Sherbrooke West on February 29th, 1992. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m. at the Salon Saisons B. Please contact Donna (BE-341/Local 3205) for reservations and ticket information.

Events, notices and ads must reach the Public Relations Department (BC-115) in writing no later than Friday, 5 p.m., the week prior to Thursday publication. Contact Johanne De Cubellis at 848-4881 or FAX 848-2814.

## NOTICES

### Ombuds Office

The Ombudspersons are available to any member of the University for information, advice and assistance with University-related complaints and problems. Call 848-4964 or drop into 2100 Mackay, Sir George Williams Campus. Evening appointments on request.

### Legal Information Service

The Legal Information Service is available for information and counselling. If you have problems with your landlord, or with a contract that you signed, or you are looking for information on divorce, **WE CAN HELP!!** Contact us at 848-4960 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Come and see us in Room CC-326, 7141 Sherbrooke St. W., Loyola Campus. For students, staff and faculty, this service is **Free** and **Confidential**.

### Health Services

We are open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at both locations: ER-407, 2155 Guy, 848-3565 and CH-101, 6935 Sherbrooke St. W., 848-3575. Our services include general physical examinations, birth control, STD counselling, allergy shots, personal counselling, nutritional information, first-aid and much more. No appointment necessary to the see the Nurse. GPs and Specialists are available by appointment.

### Sexual Harassment Officer

The Sexual Harassment Officer can provide you with support, guidance and information on any matter to do with sexual harassment. All inquiries are completely **Confidential**. Call Sally Spilhaus at 848-4857, or drop in at K-110, 2150 Bishop.

### Services for Disabled Students

Innovative programs and workshops are special feature of services for Disabled Students. Specially designed workshops on use of adaptive computer equipment for university study and future employment are regularly scheduled. Orientation programs for volunteers and Sign Language workshops are also offered throughout the year. For more information and applications. Contact: 848-3525/3511 (Voice/TDD), SGW Campus in H-580 or 848-3503/3536 (Voice/TDD), Loyola Campus in AD-121.

### Health Services

Health Services Provides a confidential, individualized and comprehensive approach to health care which includes counselling and teaching related to both physical and emotional well-being. The centre provides the opportunity for Concordia students, staff and faculty to meet with health professionals in order to explore areas of concern. Whether you are feeling unwell, stressed or just curious about health issues, you are invited to drop in at the following locations; **Loyola Camus:** 6935 Sherbrooke Street West, Room CH-101(848-3575) Hours: 9 - 12 noon and 1:30 - 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. **Sir George Williams Campus:** 2155 Guy Street, Rm 407 (848-3565) Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

### Graduate Studies Open House

You are cordially invited to drop in and meet the Acting Dean of Graduate Studies, Martin Kusy, for

coffee and light refreshments. Dr. Kusy looks forward to talking with you about your program specifically, and graduate studies in general. Location of these open houses will be the Graduate Administration Bldg., 22145 Mackay from 6 to 8 p.m. on the following days: Tuesday, February 18, Wednesday, March 25 and Thursday, April 9. We look forward to seeing you and we hope that you will be able to join us. Kindly call Kali Sakell at 848-3803 to let her know the day you will be attending as space is limited.

### Muslim Students Association

Meetings are held every Monday in Annex Z at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Notice to all Muslim Students and Staff: Congregational prayer is held in the Mosque. Friday prayer starts at 1:00 p.m. Location: 2090 Mackay, room 05. Information: 848-7418.

### Women in Engineering and Computer Science

All women in Engineering and Computer Science are invited to our weekly Brown Bag Lunch, held every Thursday in H-505 from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. We want to have informal discussions, guest speakers, and films but we can't do it without your participation. So pack a lunch (arrive late or leave early) and come meet other women of the Faculty.

### Peer Helper Centre

All students are welcome to drop in at the Peer Helper Centre, 2130 Bishop, downstairs. The hours are Monday - Thursday, 12 noon to 6 p.m., no appointment necessary. Student helpers are trained to assist in problem-solving, and to provide information, support and referrals. Stress, academic and personal problems, bureaucratic hassles and financial dilemmas, are all reasons why students consult with peer helpers. You will get a friendly reception, skilled, accessible help, and if you like, a free coffee or tea! There is also a small, but excellent self-help lending library. All services are free and confidential. Call 848-2859.

### Indigenous Peoples International

Indigenous Peoples International meets regularly on Fridays at 2020 Mackay, room 204 at 7 p.m. All welcome. Information: 848-7410-7443.

### Amateur Radio Club

Register now for beginner amateur radio classes to be held every Wednesday night 7 to 10 p.m., January to April. Also, intensive 1 weekend session for engineers and home study program available. All \$50, books included. For more info: 848-7421.

### Tax Return Service '92

Attention All Students! CAS, in association with CIA, wants you to participate in *Tex Return Service '92*. Pick up tax returns, fill them out, hand them back, or audit the returns, IT'S UP TO YOU! Sign up at the CAS office. GM-211-12 (1550 de Maisonneuve W.) Recruiting representatives will also be visiting your classes soon.

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### Styles For Everyone!

Faculty, Staff & Students why not treat yourself! Former student to satisfy all your hair dressing needs. Super Deals! Call Julian at 844-3309. 1431, Stanley Street (opposite Norris).

## SPORTS

### Stingers Hockey

The women's Stingers hockey team host McGill on Thursday, February 13th at 6:45. This will be their last home game prior to the playoffs.

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